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Good work leads to accreditation

WSU's Nursery School recognized by national organization

By Angela Cabreana
News Reporter

Winona State University's Nursery School received accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) for the excellent work performed by the staff.

In order to meet these standards the nursery school went through rigorous testing, including evaluations by parents of the students at the nursery school, a staff self-study, staff validation by an early childhood professional and review from the national board.

The nursery school is the only one in this area to have this accreditation;

although, there are 215 schools in the state with this accreditation.

The staff at the school consists of Sue Rislove, who, besides being the director, also has 17 years experience teaching; June Reineke, who has a Bachelor of Science degree in elementary education and has worked in many early childhood settings; student teachers, who work when they are available, usually for a half quarter and practicum students, who work on Mondays and Wednesdays.

"There's a misconception that the nursery school is only open to families affiliated with the university," said Rislove. "When in reality, it's

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Rachel McConnell/staff photographer

Matt Bruels and teacher Sue Rislove make an airhole in the lid of a "bug jar". This week the kids are learning about insects.

KQAL receives award

Lauren Osborne
News Reporter

Winona State University's radio station, KQAL-FM, was recently recognized as the number one non-commercial radio station in the region. The Association of Minnesota Public and Educational Radio Stations (AMPERS) awarded KQAL for work done during the 1996-1997 school year.

Dr. Ajit Daniel, who has been the station's general manager since he arrived at WSU in 1982, accepted the award on behalf of KQAL at AMPERS' annual meeting in Grand Rapids last June.

Maggie Montgomery, AMPERS vice president, said the student-run station received a unanimous vote from the awards committee based on criteria such as educational value, leadership, excellence in variety, originality of production values and overall level of achievement.

But Daniel believes the station's balanced and varied programming, its equipment, and the fact that the on-air experience students gain helps them place highly in the job market were all contributing factors.

"All of the students deserve praise, because they are the station," said Daniel. "When the station gets an award, the university gets an award, and the students get an award."

Daniel doesn't credit the station's

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Non-traditional student chosen for WSU senate

By Jennifer Mulyck
News Reporter

Non-traditional students are involved in many different campus organizations, and one has found his place on the student senate.

David Kiese, 47 of Houston, MN., decided to run for student senate because of two reasons: helping non traditional students with admissions and creating an Alcoholics Anonymous group on campus.

First, Kiese thinks non-traditional

students' life experiences are not adequately being evaluated.

Kiese said he had over 20 years of experience in various fields, yet most of the credits he earned prior to attending Winona State University did not cross over during the conversion.

This is when he started thinking about becoming involved in the senate to help non-traditional students with credit conversion issues.

Kiese said non-traditional students' work and life experiences need to be evaluated in greater detail so

they receive more quarter hours of credit for the work they have accomplished prior to attending WSU.

According to Adult Continuing Education, a non traditional student is an undergraduate 25-years-old or older.

Second, Kiese wants to start an Alcoholics Anonymous group.

Because Kiese spent 20 years in AA recovery, he feels he can help others with alcoholism, and he is currently working on becoming a certified chemical dependency counse-

lor to help people overcome alcoholism.

In addition to working for the student senate, Kiese is taking 22 credits this quarter alone.

To accomplish the task of taking 22 credits a quarter, Kiese sold his general contracting business and all the equipment to finance his schooling and is determined to graduate next spring.

Kiese has many experiences to draw upon as a senator at WSU. For example, he is a Vietnam veteran and

says he appreciates the fact WSU honors Veteran's Day by giving the students and faculty the day off.

After graduating Kiese hopes to attend Wartburg College Seminary School next year to become a Lutheran Pastor.

According to WSU institutional research compiled by Dennis Martin, 904 non traditional undergraduate students enrolled for fall quarter 1997. This equates to almost 15 percent out of the entire student body.

Record number of International students at WSU

This fall, Winona State University has enrolled the largest number of new international students in the history of the program, as 76 new international students began studying at Winona State in September.

These students bring WSU's total international student enrollment to a record of 362. This compares to 300 internationals on campus in fall of 1996. A total of 48 countries are represented in the current WSU international student population.

The number of international students in Minnesota during the 1994-95 academic year was 6,657. The total number of international students in the United States in 1995-96 was 453,787.

According to Terri Markos, director of the WSU International Student Program, approximately one-third of the world's 1.2 million international students study in the United States.

"NAFSA - the Association of International Educators, ranks the U.S. sixteenth in terms of nations with the highest percentage of international students and scholars in total university enrollment," Markos noted.

Markos said the philosophy of the program revolves around the idea that international students are valuable resources.

"The presence of international students on our campus and in our community helps to dispel stereotypes and to teach Americans about other cultures," said Markos. "Also, these students bring financial resources with them. The economic impact of international students and their families in Minnesota in 1994-95 amounted to more than \$115 million."



Eric Young/staff photographer

"Cuisine Around the World" gave students from the residence halls a chance to sample different ethnic foods.

A taste of the world in Kryszko Commons

By Agnus Ong
News Reporter

Residence halls students had a chance to sample cuisine from all over the world on Oct. 1 in the East Cafeteria of Kryszko Commons during the International Student Dinner.

According to C.K. Kwai, the assistant director of the International Student Program, the project was a collaborative effort between the residence halls and International Student Office.

Kwai said that the cuisine was decided by the Cross-Cultural coordinators, Felicia Hooi and Aftabur Rahman (Dipu), who were also the

organizers of the event.

Although it was a school night, the turnout was surprisingly good. "We expected about 150 students, and more than 150 turned up," said Rahman.

"The day was suggested by the Residence Hall's directors. If it was the beginning of the week, students returning from the weekend would want to catch up with their homework. On the other hand, if it was the weekend, many would have gone home to their families," said Kwai.

According to the Cross-Cultural handbook, "The Cross-Cultural

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Students experience Bangladesh

Two Winona State University social work students traveled to Bangladesh this summer and stayed with a 1995 WSU graduate.

Rebecca Cordes, a third year student from Forest Lake, MN, and Sara Espie-Ziemann, a senior from Bloomington, MN, spent four weeks in Dhaka, Bangladesh, learning about the culture and society of the country. Carol Lontz, a professor of social work and sociology at WSU, has been taking students to Bangladesh for the last three years.

Cordes, Espie-Ziemann and Denise Madland, a librarian from the University of Wisconsin-Stout, stayed with WSU alumnus Intiaj Rasul for three weeks and Rasul's uncle for the fourth week. Other than airfare, there were few expenses for the students and librarian.

"They were taken care of like roy-

alty," Lontz said. "The hospitality is shocking. They bend over backwards to be good hosts."

The students were required to keep a journal for four credits of field experience and research a topic related to the Bangladesh culture. Espie-Ziemann studies women in Bangladesh society, while Cordes researched religion.

In addition to taking several trips to neighborhood villages, they visited local non-governmental organizations (NGOs) set up to deal with poverty and other social services issues that, in the United States, the government usually handles.

Grameen Bank, where Rasul now works, gives loans to people who want to start some type of small business venture. Cordes and Espie-Ziemann met people in a neighboring village who received loans to buy

cows. One man used his cow to crush mustard seed oil and sell it. A woman was given a micro loan to set up a food stand and sell the milk from her cow.

"You can actually see Grameen Bank working," said Lontz. "Bangladesh has one of the most progressive social programs."

The level of caring in families was also surprising for Cordes and Espie-Ziemann.

"Everyone pulls for each other. The family support is unbelievable," said Cordes. "There are very few nursing homes because everyone takes care of their parents."

Both students agree they learned a lot, not only about the Bangladesh culture, but about cultural differences in general.

Red Cross welcomes help

By Lori Olivier
News Reporter

Are you looking for something to do? Volunteering is a great way to spend time, and the Winona County Red Cross is the perfect place to start.

Being the oldest chapter of the Red Cross in the state, the Winona County Red Cross is having its 80th Anniversary this year and is looking for a few good volunteers.

According to Health Services Coordinator Valerie Geary, there are many volunteer opportunities open to everyone. The Red Cross, a volunteer based operation, provides a number of programs to the community, including classes on CPR and First Aid, to give people more knowledge of life saving techniques.

The Red Cross also provides many programs for elementary aged children. Some of these programs include FACT (First Aid for Children Today), a basic aid training course and many baby-sitting courses throughout the year.

In addition to programs geared toward younger kids, there are also many community education programs that have something for just

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Generous Donation



Rachel McConnell/staff photographer

Professor Ervin Bublitz donated "Trail's End", a bronze statue on stone, to WSU.

News Briefs

Student Senate

Student Senate Academic Affairs is currently looking for an informative, motivating, and inspirational professional commencement speaker. Those who could recommend someone should contact Academic Affairs Chair Melanie Rubin at 457-5316 or mrubin0534@vax2.winona.msus.edu. Please respond by Thursday, Oct. 16.

WSU Students for Choice

Several WSU students are interested in starting a Pro-Choice student club/organization. Once formed, this group plans on getting involved in local and state legislative matters, promoting campus-wide events and discussing issues that relate to reproductive rights. Any student interested in more information or participating in this club may e-mail Stephanie at smoss5228@vax2.winona.msus.edu. We are still looking for a faculty advisor.

ASL Volleyball Tournament

Oct. 11th, the WSU American sign Language club will be hosting a volleyball tournament and picnic at the Sheehan Hall volleyball court. The public is invited to both the picnic and tournament. The fee per individual is \$11, or \$50 per team (the fee includes a free t-shirt). Warm-up and registration will begin at 1:00 p.m. with games starting at 2:00 p.m. A picnic will follow from 4-6:00 p.m. Spectators are welcome to watch for free. Proceeds will go toward expanding the clubs library of educational materials used by club members, other students and the general public. For more information and registration call: 457-2431 TTY 457-2430.

Winona Middle School Referendum

Voting for the referendum will take place on Oct. 14. On-campus students can vote in Minne Hall and Lourdes students at St. T's. Students wishing to vote may register at Minne and St. T's on the voting day.

Fall speakers at Lourdes Hall

Through the month of October, Lourdes Hall will host a series of speakers. The presentations will be held in the North Lounge with a reception to follow.

Oct. 8 - Gary Eddy, 8 p.m., reading
Oct. 15 - Louis Jenkins, 5 p.m. dinner, 8 p.m. reading
Oct. 21 - Kent Cowgill and John Reinhard, 8 p.m. reading

Gallery Exhibits Paris Review Prints

"Prints of the Paris Review" is the current exhibition in the Paul Watkins Gallery until Oct. 17. The exhibition was originally organized by Flanders Contemporary/Flanders Graphics Galleries in Minneapolis and exhibited there last spring. The Paris Review, a literary journal in publication since 1953, publishes the work of emerging writers and poets. In 1964, the magazine began publishing editioned prints done by leading artists representing the major art movements from the 1950s to present. Prints by most of the artists from the original Flanders show are in the WSU exhibition, including Robert Motherwell, Willem De Kooning, Robert Rauschenberg, Marisol, Louise Bourgeois, David Hockney, Francesco Clemente, Janet Fish, and Keith Haring and many others. Those interested in collecting or in helping to support the Paris Review, may purchase some of the prints (from editions not yet sold out) from Flanders in Minneapolis.

Career Fair Planned

The Ninth Annual Career Fair is planned for Wednesday, Oct. 22, from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in McCown Gym. All WSU faculty and students are invited to attend. Career Fair provides a forum for students to gather information about hiring practices, career and internship opportunities, graduate programs and general tips for job search strategies. The Career Planning and Placement Office requests that faculty announce the event in classes to encourage students' attendance.

Dinner

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Outreach" is a program coordinated by the International Student Office at Winona State University for the international students. The purpose of such a program is to encourage international students to share their culture with children, college students and adults residing in Southeastern Minnesota.

"Basically, the Cross-Cultural projects are meant to diversify the campus to expose the American students to other cultures of the world," said Kwai.

At the event there were all kinds of food such as appetizers, drinks and desserts. The Malaysian team had five booths offering culinary delights of green jelly and barley drinks to the favorite skewered meat they call 'satay,' which is usually complimented by a special peanut sauce.

Not to be outdone, the African booth displayed artifacts about the region's wildlife and dished out some culinary delights that deserved a ribbon in originality.

The Bangladeshis were there with Briyani rice. Briyani is a common dish of spiced rice that is found in most festive occasions.

There were other booths from other nations around the world such as Brazil, the Middle East, Japan, Hong Kong, Italy, Norway, and Nepal. These countries had displays of artifacts and food for the visitors to look at and sample.

In between periods of eating, there were entertaining dances, quizzes and contests. The dances came from different regions of the world such as Malaysia with the Joget Kelantan, the Middle East dance and the energetic Bahamian dance by sisters, Nadeen and Nadia Curry. Visitors were asked to participate and did so with enthusiasm to make up the lack of skill.

Most visitors agree that they have had a good time at the event. The next project is dances around the world in Lourdes Hall on Oct. 22. So, get your dancing shoes out and prepare to dance the night away.

Nursery

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open to everyone in the community." The nursery school works in conjunction with local child care centers to bring the children to the nursery school during class and return them to the centers after class has finished for the day.

This staff is very well qualified, and in the words of one parent, "The WSU Nursery School is an exceptional program! The teachers are well experienced."

Besides being a very good learning environment for the children, the school has other conveniences. It gives university students in the Education department, Elementary and Physical education programs, Physiology, and Social Work departments the chance to observe the classes.

Daily classes begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 11:30 p.m., and parents have the option of sending their children to the Monday, Wednesday, Friday class or the Tuesday/Thurs-

Volunteer

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about everyone. If you would like to teach a community education class, go down to the Red Cross and ask about how you can get involved in this program. No experience required. All you need is a good handle on what you are teaching and a creative mind.

You can also be an office volunteer. This is a great job for business majors because they get the hands on work in the office they will need in the future, such as record keeping.

There are also many disaster volunteer programs available to those who wish to help with disasters in and around the surrounding area.

"As much time as you have to give to volunteering is as much time as we will take," said Geary.

Volunteering is an excellent way to spend time and meet new people, especially for college aged students.

If you are interested in volunteering, or would like more information, call the Red Cross at 452-4258. The Red Cross can always use a helping hand.



Jeff Mullinger/staff photographer

The Cinema 4 movie theater on Second and Main streets will soon be renovated.

Winona movie theatre to expand

By Shelly Derga & Holly Swenson
News Reporters

Winona's movie theatre is undergoing a facelift which will add more screens and remodel the existing areas of the building.

Approximately \$1 million is being spent on the remodeling of the old building downtown. Remodeling started Sept. 30.

Cinema 4 has changed ownership

and is now owned by Cinema Entertainment Corporation, which is in charge of all the new renovations. The project includes remodeling the entire theatre, concessions area, restrooms, and existing screens.

The most work that will be done to the building is the addition of three more screens, including one that will be stadium-style with digital sound. And for those people that just have to have the nifty cup holders built into the chair—yes, these will be added

too.

Lynn Erke, an employee at the cinema, said by remodeling they hope to add, "Mainly appeal. We want people to stay in town to watch the movies."

They are also planning on receiving more new movies, so the selection will be much greater and more enticing for the movie viewers.

The remodeling is estimated to be completed sometime this February.

Cusacks strong in 'Grosse Pointe Blank'

Video Review

Grosse Pointe Blank
1997

Starring: John Cusack, Joan Cusack, Minnie Driver, Dan Akroyd, Alan Arkin

By RandiMcLaughlin
Video Critic

Grosse Pointe Blank is a dark comedy which tells the story of Martin Blank (Cusack), a freelance hit man who hasn't returned to his home town of Grosse Pointe, Michigan in 10 years. He disappeared a decade ago on prom night, standing up his high school sweetheart, Debi, played by Driver.

Now his latest "job" has him returning to Grosse Pointe. While

he's there his secretary (Cusack #2, his real life sis) convinces him to go to his high school reunion.

Blank's first priority is to go home to see his mother, which doesn't quite turn out the way he planned. He finds a convenience store in place of his home, then goes to visit his mom in her new residence, a mental hospital.

Meanwhile, Mr. Grocer, a rivaling hitman (Akroyd), has followed Blank to Michigan with the intent of killing him since he won't join "the hitman's union."

Blank's second priority is to see his old high school flame, now a radio DJ, to try and redeem himself for ditching her on prom night. Debi is reluctant at first, but later agrees to be his date for the reunion. As you might guess, the reunion doesn't go smoothly, seeing how Debi witnesses her date killing one of Mr. Grocer's cronies.

Blank is obviously upset that she saw this vulgar display and begins to believe he might have some morals. Vowing the next man he kills will be his last, Blank begs for Debi's forgiveness. Too bad it won't be that easy, since his last "job" is to kill Debi's father.

Basically this movie is about Blank going through some major life changes and his troubles along the way. It doesn't help that his shrink (Arkin) won't return his calls or give him solid advice since he is afraid for his life.

The real strong points of the movie are its actors. Both Cusacks as well as Driver are likable actors that have been in previous funny movies. The only disappointing role comes from Akroyd who's character is not convincing as a hitman. He definitely should stick to playing the wussy good guy, like in some of his past movies.



Medallion Hunt

and its clues . . .

Oct. 13th - Oct. 17th

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WSU says goodbye to honored alumnus

After a long and courageous battle with health problems that resulted from polio and cancer, Dr. Leslie A. King died Aug. 18, at his home in Mounds View. King was born on Feb. 1, 1921, in Spring Valley, MN.

King retired from the University of Minnesota in June 1986 as Professor Emeritus. King did his undergraduate work in education at Winona State Teachers College. After his graduation King served as a lieutenant in the Navy from 1943-47.

Early in his educational career King was stricken with bulbar polio. King's courage helped him through a

laborious convalescence that left him without the use of his right arm and a very limited use of his left arm.

King went on to earn a master's degree in educational administration and a doctorate in counseling psychology at the University of Minnesota. There he remained on staff as a coordinator of admissions, orientation, registration and advising in the General College. King also taught a variety of psychology courses in the General College and the College of Liberal Arts for more than 30 years before his retirement.

King was twice honored by the

Alumni Society at Winona State University as a distinguished alumnus for his many achievements.

As part of his recovery therapy, King learned to drive a car using his feet in place of his hands. He was one of the two men in Minnesota who accomplished the transfer of driving skills from their arms to their legs.

After King's retirement he remained active in civic organizations where his counsel was respected.

Memorial service was held at the First Unitarian Society of Minneapolis.



Jackie Jedynak/Photo Editor

Sophomore Steve McGlennen starts his shift at KQAL, which was recently recognized as the number one non-commercial radio station in the region.

KQAL

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success to any one person or area, but he emphasized the fact that the team efforts put forth by himself and the students played a critical role. "We work together, and we win together."

With the continued support from

the university, the department, and the students, KQAL will strive to improve even more, and Daniel hopes to win awards for production this year, as well as place students higher yet in the job market. Daniel stated, "We want to make sure our radio station is the best it can be in the entire state of Minnesota."

Come One
Come All!



Pep Rally
in the
courtyard

@ 5:30 p.m.

Fri., Oct. 17th

Security Safety Tips

Recently, a number of thefts have been reported to WSU Security. These involve individuals entering offices and removing wallets and other easily moveable items. The number of thefts reported on campus remains relatively low. By following some basic crime prevention techniques, your chances of becoming a victim will be reduced.

- Never leave valuables lying around unattended. It only takes a few seconds for a thief to steal.

- Keep doors locked when not in use.

- Report suspicious activities immediately.

- Report all thefts immediately to WSU Security, 5555.

- Be concerned. It's the most effective way to reduce or prevent crime and make your campus safe.

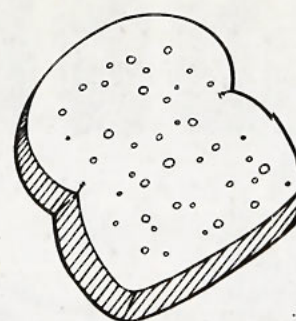
- Many companies in Winona are experiencing thefts of lap top computers. Don't leave your computer unattended. Always keep it in a secured location.

- Over the past year, a number of entries into academic offices have been attempted. Generally, these occur around mid-terms or finals. If your office shows signs of attempted entry, contact WSU Security. Campus security will conduct extra patrols for any location on campus.

- Just a reminder, no student will be allowed into locked offices or computer labs without prior authorization from the department. Please contact Campus Security with a list of students authorized to access a specific area.

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King & Queen elections **WSU HOMECOMING WEEK**

today and tomorrow

8 A.M. to 5 P.M. Lower Hyphen of
Kryszko Commons

MONDAY

"Fun Flicks" in the Smaug 11 A.M. to 5 P.M.
-First clue for medallion hunt

TUESDAY

"Fun Flicks" in The Smaug, 11 A.M. to 5 P.M.
Comedian Michole Lafong, Somsen Auditorium, 7:30 P.M.
-Second clue for medallion hunt

Wednesday

"Coffehouse" performance in The Smaug 11:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M.
-Third clue for medallion hunt

Thursday

"Second City Comedy Show" Somsen Auditorium, 7:30 P.M.
-Fourth clue for medallion hunt

Friday

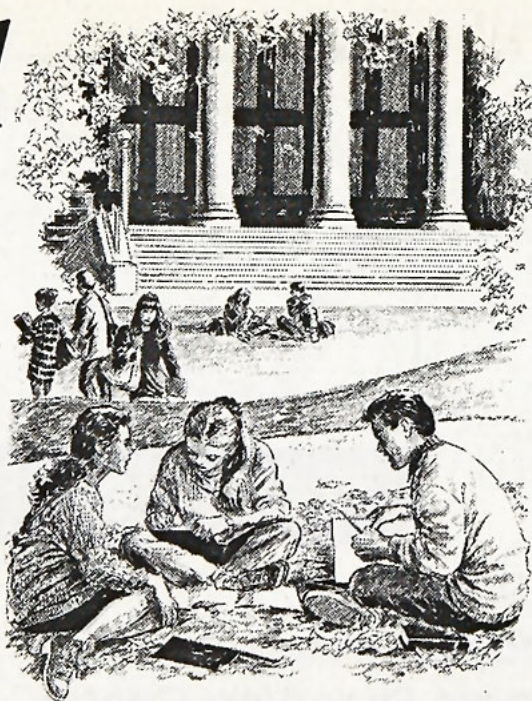
Pep Rally in the Courtyard at 5:30 P.M.
King & Queen Coronation, Somsen Auditorium, 8 P.M.
-Fifth and final clue for medallion hunt

Saturday

Homecoming Parade, 10 A.M. Huff Street
Football Game versus U of M-Duluth, 2 P.M.

STUDENTS!

A yes vote in
the Oct. 14
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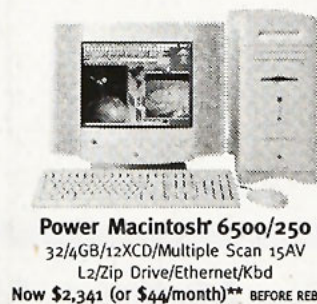


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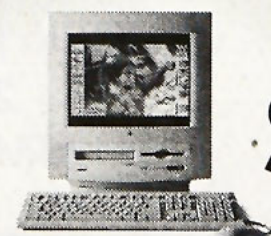
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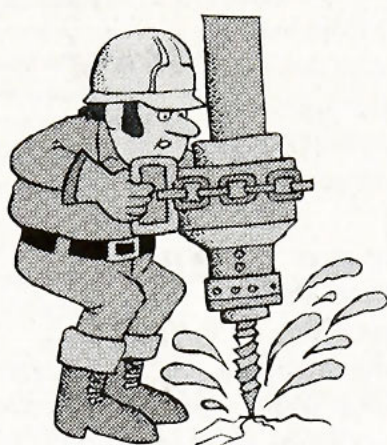
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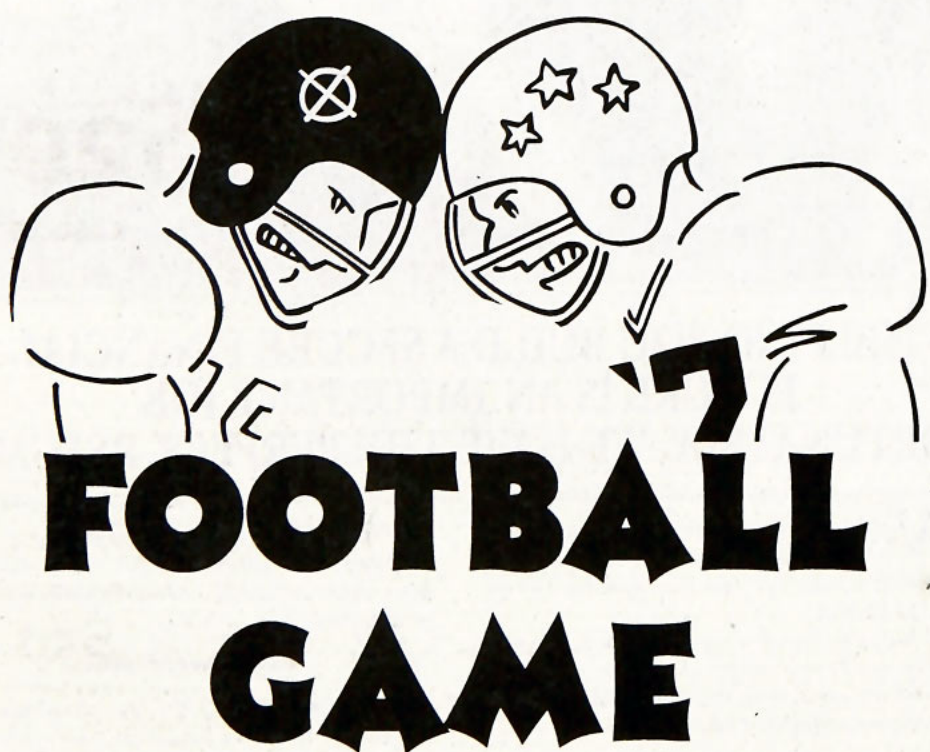
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Talk Soup is the key to my sanity!

THE LINES BETWEEN THE LINES



Dave
Adams
Columnist

"All we are is dust in the wind." -- Kansas
 "Excuse me while I kiss the sky." -- Jimi Hendrix
 "You were lonely for a man. I said, 'Take me as I am. 'Cause you might enjoy some madness for a while!'" -- Billy Joel
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 "If I had a million dollars we wouldn't have to walk to the store. We could take a limousine 'cause it costs more!" -- Barenaked Ladies
 "I'm dumb, she's a lesbian." -- Weezer
 "Mmmm Bop! Bop, bop, mmmm bop!" -- Hanson

The preceding lyrics were brought to your attention to show you what good lyrics look like when put next to bad ones. I think you know which lyrics are the bad ones.

Here's a hint: It's the *Hanson* lyrics!

I just can't leave these kids alone. They suck.

Yes, I am jealous of their success. Yes, I wish I had millions of dollars when I was a kid. Yes, I wish I could have hired someone to clean my room.

As a whole, our society is so dependent on filling its brain with one dimensional discourse it allowed three pre-pubers to scam America into buying records because they can hum in harmony? Jesus Christ! Someone must have dropped the dumbass bomb on us when we were too busy thinking about Frank and Kathie Lee Gifford's

marital problems!

If you know what I'm talking about there, you know too much.

That kind of crap actually qualifies as network news now! This worries me. Over the past 15 years people have begun conveying the message that private and trivial information about other people is important to them. Thereby legitimizing, and placing an entertainment value on, exposing the human frailties of people they have never met, and will never meet.

People! Stop living other people's lives and start living your own!

All this started a long, long time ago. Since I'm no historian, and I'm not over the age of 45, I can only speak of what I know. So here goes.

I remember all this tabloid/trash talk show sh*t starting with people like Geraldo and Phil Donahue. They thought it would be a good idea to take nighttime talk shows and their formats to the daytime airwaves.

At first they started out very similar to their evening counterparts; famous celebrities and everyday people who had interesting things to do or say. But then the house wives, house husbands and millions of unemployed folks got bored. They needed something with more spice. Something like a soap opera, except with regular, run-of-the-mill type people.

From this spawned a horrible, stupid, inbred, talk show cousin. The kind of cousin who climbs to the top of a watertower with a can of paint to defend his sister's honor. The kind of cousin that scoops potato salad from the bowl to his plate with the same hand he scratched himself with. The kind of cousin who forgets to wear underwear -- and a belt! The kind of cousin who wants to "become a man" by way of his cousin Becky.

This vile cousin was created in ways not unlike the daytime talk shows of today. In some dark corner somewhere, two people, probably related in some way, got together and decided that they were tired of the same old thing, and wanted to try something new, exciting, and most definitely immoral.

Hence the birth of talk show hosts like Sally Jessie Raphael, Jenny Jones, Ricki Lake, and Jerry Springer (an ex-corrupt mayor for god's sake!!).

Hence the birth of a new forum. A forum for the dregs of society to air their stinky, funky, skid-marked laundry in front of a few million people.

Suddenly people started coming out of the woodwork: jilted ex-lovers, troubled teens, KKK members, cross-dressing Satan-worshipping ditch diggers and the accountants who love them, trailer trash, and women with more silicone than that one valley in California (What was that place called again??). Now they all had a place where they could go to try and justify their existence, and get paid to do it.

People of the world! Pity us, for we are the greedy and ignorant Americans!

I hear they're going to revise the plaque on Ellis island so it reads: "Give us your poor, your tired, your huddled masses. Give us your wife-beaters, your socially maladjusted alcoholic junkies who slept with their best friend's boyfriend. Give us your third grade dropouts who have multiple husbands/wives and/or kids. And give us your stalkers and the prostitutes who love them."

All this crap is a symptom of larger problems to come. We suffer from an increasingly painful interest in other people's lives. We have a constant headache because of our inability to find interest and value in our own lives. Our complacent attitude grows like a tumor as we face a lack of adversity, originality, and motivation in our still developing culture.

This country, this society, this culture is suffering from a new kind of Cancer. And here we sit like blind doctors, a miracle cure within reach, probably on the bedside table. Yes, I'm talking about reading.

I don't want to sound like a dork, but I worry because this is how I'm going to make a living someday. If no one reads, I'm out of a frickin' job, ya bastards!! Soon we won't know how to read anything but the Internet.

The Internet sucks. Read a paper.

Lawrence's fall guide to WSU

Lawrence Lyman
Columnist

1. Minné, as in the building housing the English department, is pronounced *Muh-Nay*, not like Mickey Mouse's girlfriend.
2. King Street/ Sanborn Street (the only road through campus) is a one-way street. Look both ways and show people how lame you really are.
3. The men's bathroom door at Kwik Trip (Huff and Sarnia) does not lock. Never has. Don't even try.
4. Living in the dorms beyond your freshman year is the equivalent of joining a frat to most people. Both are for lameasses who can't make friends and would rather pay for them. Live in them for three years or more, and people will talk about you.
5. Ask an upperclassman to tell you the legends of Springfest. They will be more than happy to oblige.
6. Spend at least one summer in Winona before you graduate. You won't regret it.
7. Never let a St. Mary's student drive you home, no matter how sober they say they are.
8. Macintosh technicians it seems outnumber IBM technicians here 20 to 1.

There's a reason why. Save often.

9. You will build a strong sense of camaraderie with your fellow students and faculty as you battle your common enemies: the administration, the townsfolk, and most of all the police.
10. Have a headache or sore back? Student Health Services is right on campus. Powerful antibiotics and codeine cough syrup are but two of the myriad of weapons against disease and hangovers that SHS offers. Since you pay for it anyways (check your tuition bill) you may as well exploit it to the fullest.
11. Learn the art of Ramen cookery.
12. LaCrosse, WI, located thirty miles south downriver, has per capita the most bars in the world. It's in the Guinness book. They also have the second largest Oktoberfest behind Munich.
13. Winona has per capita the most inbred freaks in the world. Guinness book entry pending.
14. However, befriend at least one townie (person from Winona). We (yes, I am one) are eminently useful.
15. The city of Winona has been featured in High Times magazine more than once.
- 15a. The Federal Drug Enforcement Agency knows

this.

16. Dr. Shaw, a.k.a. the Registration Nazi, rules with an iron fist, and is not to be trifled with. Though he is small in stature, he is cunning like a mongoose and crafty as a double jointed fox. Beware.
17. If a theatre major ever gives you that holier than thou crap (and they will), just mention to them all the WSU theatre graduates with stellar Broadway careers.
18. The guy who invented the Budweiser frogs and the guy who invented the metered bar pour both graduated from WSU, and have made us extremely proud.
19. Ironically, guys wearing "No Fear" shirts usually fear everything, including the metric system, cooties, and words with more than two syllables.
20. The most attentive staff at Winona State are in the Payroll office, the library, and Student Health Services. The least attentive are Financial Aid and the Registrar's Office. (Note: I put my personal feelings aside on these last two and asked other students, forming an informal consensus. However, I agree.)

Cops head into electronic age

ST. PAUL (AP) — Take a peek through the window of a squad car these days, and you may be surprised.

Inside many police cruisers, it looks like somebody just robbed a Radio Shack store.

The old electronic standbys are there — a two-way radio, microphone and a switch box that activates lights and siren. A radar gun and its control box might be mounted on the dash, right next to a video camera.

Jammed between the two seats, you're likely to see backup radios, scanners, a cellular phone, maybe even a portable breath-alcohol tester.

And in about 1,000 Twin Cities area police cars, you'll also find a dash-mounted computer screen, keyboard and radio modem.

Law enforcement has gone digital in a big way over the past 10 years.

Police cars have become rolling offices, where officers use computers to send electronic messages, query crime databases, write paperless reports and respond to 911 calls without ever touching a microphone.

Vast amounts of data literally have been placed at cops' fingertips. And officers working alone in their squad cars must learn a skill they don't teach in the police academy: typing while they steer.

Larry Osterman, a sheriff's deputy in Washington County, wonders how patrol officers ever got along without a keyboard and monitor next to the steering wheel.

"If we were ever to lose them, I couldn't go back to work," Osterman said.

From the computer in his car, Osterman sends electronic messages to other cars and to the Washington County dispatch center. He queries crime information databases, transmits brief reports and calls up lists of 911 calls.

The technology has dramatically changed police work in the past decade. Highly sensitive information, such as

the names of suspects or victims, now can be transmitted by encrypted electronic messages, rather than by two-way radio. As a result, people who monitor police scanners hear far less about what patrol officers are doing.

One of the less-glamorous chores of police officers is writing reports about traffic accidents, crimes and suspicious activity. The reports often are dictated to typists and keyed into department databases.

"Many departments are trying to go with a paperless environment," said David Nairn, vice president for Motorola Data Solutions Division, a leading supplier of law enforcement data and communications technology. "In many departments, it takes days or weeks to get an accident report because of all of the data entry. The desire is to speed up that process."

Motorola has developed software that extracts the name, address and other information from a driver's license inquiry and exports it into a report template, Nairn said. The officer fills in the narrative section, and transmits the completed report by modem, he said.

One downside of writing long reports in squad cars is that it will force officers to stop responding to 911 calls while they park and type. That may explain why report-writing technology isn't widely used yet.

Not all typing is done at a standstill, which is yet another safety issue. Police departments, at least officially, discourage officers from typing while they drive. In practice, patrol officers drive and type all the time, usually a few keystrokes at a time.

"There have been some minor accidents," said Bruce Jensen of the Minneapolis Police Department's Traffic Investigations Division. "Typically, there have been cases where someone is slowing down and typing something and hits a parked car. I don't know of anyone who would

do any typing at 50 miles per hour. Jensen added that Minneapolis police assign two officers to many squad cars, eliminating any need for a driver to type.

At the moment, typing and receiving text is the main use of squad-car computers. But many law enforcement officials are eager to begin transmitting digital images — photographs of missing children, for example directly to cruisers.

But police departments need additional radio bandwidth if they plan to transmit images. Wireless data flow over a radio channel at rates slower than the speed of a home PC modem. And dozens, if not hundreds, of police cars may share the same low-speed data channel.

"There is only one pipeline, and I want to send a picture it is going to take 60 seconds and nobody else can use the data channel," said Ronald Vegemast, a Minneapolis consultant who designs police radio networks. "There is not enough capacity for all of the fancy stuff."

Law enforcement officials in Twin Cities are reviewing bids for new, \$34 million regional radio network, but that system is designed primarily for voice communication. Vegemast said the Federal Communications Commission needs to allocate more channels for public safety data communication.

"Data communications is exploding not only in law enforcement, but also in the fire and emergency services," he added. "The next 10 years in wireless communication is going to be so much fun."

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Stanford band (or banned) causing quite a stir

STANFORD, Calif. (AP) — When the Stanford University football team takes the field this fall, fans may have to await halftime for the real action: Is this Stanford band, or Stanford banned? Just watch.

The Leland Stanford Junior University Marching Band, oh so formally titled, is anything but. In fact, band members are so informal that they don't even march. But they do just about everything else on the field, including garner enough suspensions to make a hardened criminal proud.

Over the decades, they've wooed fans as loyal to them as to the team. They've also upset alumni and opponents. Here's how:

In 1982, during the big game against the University of California-Berkeley, the band headed onto the field early. Unflappable, the ball carrier for California raced though their ranks, returning a kickoff for the winning score. In 1986, band

members urinated on a field (but in a corner) and, during show formations, spelled four-letter words (but jumbled).

And witness 1994. Just when fans feared that the band had turned tame, dozens of band members headed to the O.J. Simpson trial. Outside the courthouse in Los Angeles, they played "White Punks on Dope" and forced lawyers enroute to lunch through their parallel lines.

Many folks dote on the band's crazies. "I love them. I think they're absolutely spectacular," says Ted Leland, athletic director at Stanford. "They do one or two things a year to cause us problems, but they work really hard for the school and its teams."

Even though they call themselves a marching band, they don't march. They actually are a "scatter band," avoiding traditional songs and marches during a field show and, instead, running from formation to formation, with whoops and hollers.

The Stanford band is one of a select

group that includes several Ivy League schools. "At schools like Stanford or the Ivies, there's a bit more pressure as a student," says band manager Scott "Fabio" McKisson. "We work hard, but we play hard, too. The band provides an outlet."

Their field shows are often laced with satirical and political humor. In 1990, the band tackled the spotted owl and the question of its habitat that pitted environmentalists in the Northwest against those working in the timber. During halftime at the University of Oregon in Eugene, the band formed the word "OWL" that, by mid-song, evolved to "AWOL."

"Mr. Spotted Owl!" the narrator chimed. "Your environment has been destroyed, your home is now a roll of Brawny, and your family has flown the coop. What are you going to do? Me, I'm going to Disneyland."

Oregon asked the band not to return the following year, citing some damage to the stadium. "They got

booed off the field," recalls Bill Byrne, Nebraska's athletic director who held the same position at Oregon in 1990. "I know our fans were offended."

The band might also jab an opposing school. In 1986, during halftime with the Southern California Trojans, the band in formation collapsed a Trojan helmet while playing "If I Only Had A Brain." Then, the narrator joked: "Stanford University is nationally ranked; USC is naturally rank." Now, USC fans turn their backs whenever the band is on the field.

Another incident came during a 1991 game against Notre Dame at Stanford. After dressing as a Hasidic Jew for the pregame show, drum major Eric Selvik donned the habit of a nun for half-time and led the band with a cross. Catholics in the audience were livid, and one woman pummeled Selvik, telling him he was going to hell.

The band is still barred from Notre Dame stadium. Dennis Moore, a

spokesman there, cites letters from fans who found the show offensive. "And frankly," he adds, "so did we."

Even Stanford alumni criticize the band.

"Alumni tend to forget what they were like in school," says Arthur Barnes, who just stepped down after 34 years as the band's director. "As they get out in the big world and become businessmen and probably Republicans, they become more conservative."

At first, interim band director Steve Anderson, from nearby Woodside High School, considered his task of representing the band to the faculty as daunting. "I was a little worried initially, but not any more," he says. "I have so much respect for these crazy nuts."

The band's wild reputation generates "urban myths," many tied to travel to away games. One describes how a commercial airline banned members who moved, en masse, from the back

of the airline to the front — just to see what would happen.

"That never happened," insists Frank Guinan, a graduate student in computer science. "When people hear about it, it's always a different airline. And the old(-timers) all say it never happened."

Nebraska's Byrne recalls another plane ride to the Pacific-10 basketball championships. "Somehow, they took seat belts off some of the seats and did just like the stewardesses during the little demonstration before takeoff," he says. "It was hilarious."

But is this all history? "The band is much more conservative than it used to be," Barnes says. "But it flares up occasionally, sometimes inadvertently."

To avoid surprises, Stanford's athletic department now approves all shows. But director Leland still expects the unexpected. "Oh, I am sure they'll do something this year."



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Trouble in parking paradise

Students and Faculty who purchased purple lot parking passes may have to find parking elsewhere. The lot in back of Minne was closed last week so construction of the new library could begin. Anyone who purchased the \$90.00 permit has the option of parking in an overflow lot located off Johnson St. across from Maxwell Field.

Above: Parking is limited even outside the construction area due to a trench outside the site of the old tennis courts, Left: The overflow lot near the physical plant, which was primarily used as storage before the construction began, is now cleaned out and available to anyone with a WSU parking permit.



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